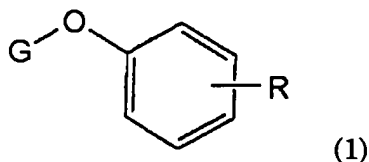


Claim Amendments

1 (previously presented). A nanoscale self-aggregate comprising O-glycoside type oligolipid having a structure represented by the general formula (1)



wherein G represents an oligosaccharide radical composed of two to thirty monosaccharides, and R represents a hydrocarbon group containing six to twenty-five carbon atoms.

2 (original). The nanoscale self-aggregate as in Claim 1 wherein the hydrocarbon group (R) is located in a meta position relative to the -O-G group in the general formula (1).

3 (previously presented). The nanoscale self-aggregate as in Claim 1 wherein the oligosaccharide is a disaccharide.

4 (previously presented). The nanoscale self-aggregate as in Claim 1 wherein the oligosaccharide is lactose.

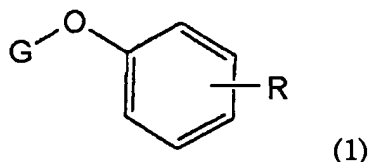
5 (previously presented). The nanoscale self-aggregate as in Claim 2 wherein the oligosaccharide is a disaccharide.

6 (previously presented). The nanoscale self-aggregate as in Claim 2 wherein the oligosaccharide is lactose.

7 (previously presented). The nanoscale self-aggregate as in Claim 3 wherein the oligosaccharide is lactose.

8 (previously presented). The nanoscale self-aggregate as in Claim 5 wherein the oligosaccharide is lactose.

9 (new). A process for preparing a nanoscale self-aggregate, comprising dispersing an O-glycoside type oligolipid in water, heating the dispersion, allowing the dispersion to cool naturally, wherein the O-glycoside type oligolipid has a structure represented by the general formula (1)



wherein G represents an oligosaccharide radical composed of two to thirty monosaccharides, and R represents a hydrocarbon group containing six to twenty-five carbon atoms.

10 (new). The process of claim 9 the hydrocarbon group (R) is located in a meta position relative to the -O-G group in the general formula (1).

11 (currently amended). The process of claim 9 wherein the oligosaccharide is a disaccharide.

12 (currently amended). The process of claim 9 wherein the oligosaccharide is lactose.

13 (new). The process of claim 10 wherein the oligosaccharide is a disaccharide.

14 (new). The process of claim 10 wherein the oligosaccharide is lactose.

15 (new). The process of claim 11 wherein the oligosaccharide is lactose.

16 (new). The process of claim 13 wherein the oligosaccharide is lactose.

17 (new). A nanoscale self-aggregate made in the process of claim 9.

18 (new). A nanoscale self-aggregate made in the process of claim 10.

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19 (new). A nanoscale self-aggregate made in the process of claim 13.

20 (new). A nanoscale self-aggregate made in the process of claim 16.